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OVER 300 DEGREES WILL BE AWARDED ON OCTOBER 6

COTC Plan Offers Extensive Program Geared For School

Easy Schedule During Winter With Good-Paying Summer

The plan for the training of university undergraduates for commissions has now completed its second year. Judging by the comments of hundreds of COTC members it has been an unqualified success.

The plan possesses a number of distinctive features which are of interest to university students. In the first place, only a little training is done during the university term. This avoids the danger of interfering with the academic work of COTC members. The winter courses consist of lectures in Economics, Geography, and Military Science, and do not exceed a total of forty hours per winter.

GOOD PAY
Secondly, the summer courses are sufficiently long to solve the student's summer employment problem. These courses are of up to four months duration, and while taking such a course, the student is paid as a second lieutenant at the rate of \$143.00 a month plus board, lodging, clothing and travelling expenses.

Also, where possible, the summer courses are related to the student's university studies. For example students of engineering can obtain a good deal of useful knowledge and experience in the Royal Canadian Engineers, Royal Canadian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, or Royal Canadian Corps of Signals. Courses for a medical or dental student, in the RCAMC or CDCD run parallel, to a considerable degree, to the year in which he is studying at university and culminate, in the third year of training with a period of attachment to a hospital, or for dental students, a dental clinic.

TYPICAL PROGRAM
For the student who enrolls this year, service in the COTC would follow along these general lines:
After making application, the student is given a medical examination, personnel selection test and is interviewed by a Personnel Officer. If he appears to meet the basic requirements, he appears before the McGill Officers Selection Board where selection is on a competitive basis.

If the applicant is accepted for enrolment he is so advised, and granted the status of second lieutenant as an officer cadet. During the remainder of the term, besides completing documentation, he attends

September 30, 1948.

All students desiring part time employment should register with the McGill Placement Service immediately.

Churchmice Aid Cancer Researchers

By The Canadian University Press
"There is nothing poor about the church mice in the church-lecture hall on College Street," begins a recent dispatch from the University of Toronto's news room. "In fact, they are probably the best fed mice in the city."

Concurrent with the Montreal cancer research program to be centred in the Donner Building, which opens officially tomorrow, the fight against cancer is going on in medical centres all across Canada. Hence the church mice on Church Street, Toronto. For they are an integral part of the Toronto cancer study program.

Their bed fellows are chickens and flies. In the basement of the church there is a full scale animal hospital complete with a trained nurse to put the animals to sleep. They would probably be the happiest beasts in the kingdom if most of them weren't prepared to be the early victims of cancer.

Scientific accuracy is stressed in all the experimentation. The cages are sterilized weekly. The animals receive a balanced diet.

Dr. W. R. Franks, in charge of the study, feels that he and his co-workers have come a long way since the beginning of cancer research. He is in steady conference with similar experimenters all over the world. They have found a way for example to make two out of every three chickens immune to cancer—the other one dies.

It is encouraging findings like these say researchers which prompt enthusiasm for research on the part of medical men. The Donner Building experiments—and those made in the basement of a Toronto church—will play their part in the battle which men feel sure will end in the final defeat of one of the worst man-killers—cancer.

Mde Heyninx Belgian Singer Joins Music Faculty Staff

By H. SHAYNE

Madame Ria Heyninx-Lenssens the newly arrived singing teacher at the Faculty of Music has had as varied and interesting a career in her native Brussels as anyone could possibly hope for.

Madame Lenssens career has been a series of first prizes wherever she has studied or taught. A list of her performances which was made available to The Daily shows that she has sung leading roles in opera, oratorio, cantatas, and requiems under such famous conductors as Engelbrecht, Pierre, de Bocht, De Greef, and Desire Defaux.

Mde. Heyninx has sung the soprano in the Beethoven Ninth Symphony no less than twenty-six times; has sung in Bach cantatas over thirty times and has sung in the Beethoven Missa Solemnis eight times.

One of the most exciting events in her career was the singing at sight of the "Miroir de Jesus" by Caplet at a concert given in nineteen forty-six at the Brussels Conservatorium under the direction of Jongs. This new and difficult work was given to Mde. Lenssens just a half hour before the debut performance. This tour de force was greatly appreciated by an enthusiastic audience. So fine was her performance that she was asked to make the official recording for the Brussels Broadcasting Commission.

Mde. Lenssens has served on the juries of seventeen different musical institutions throughout Belgium in contests for singing, lyric art, solfège, and diction. Her pupils since nineteen thirty have received first prizes at the yearly graduation of the Conservatoire and many of her pupils are now associated with the l'Opera Comique de Paris and on Belgian Radio Networks.

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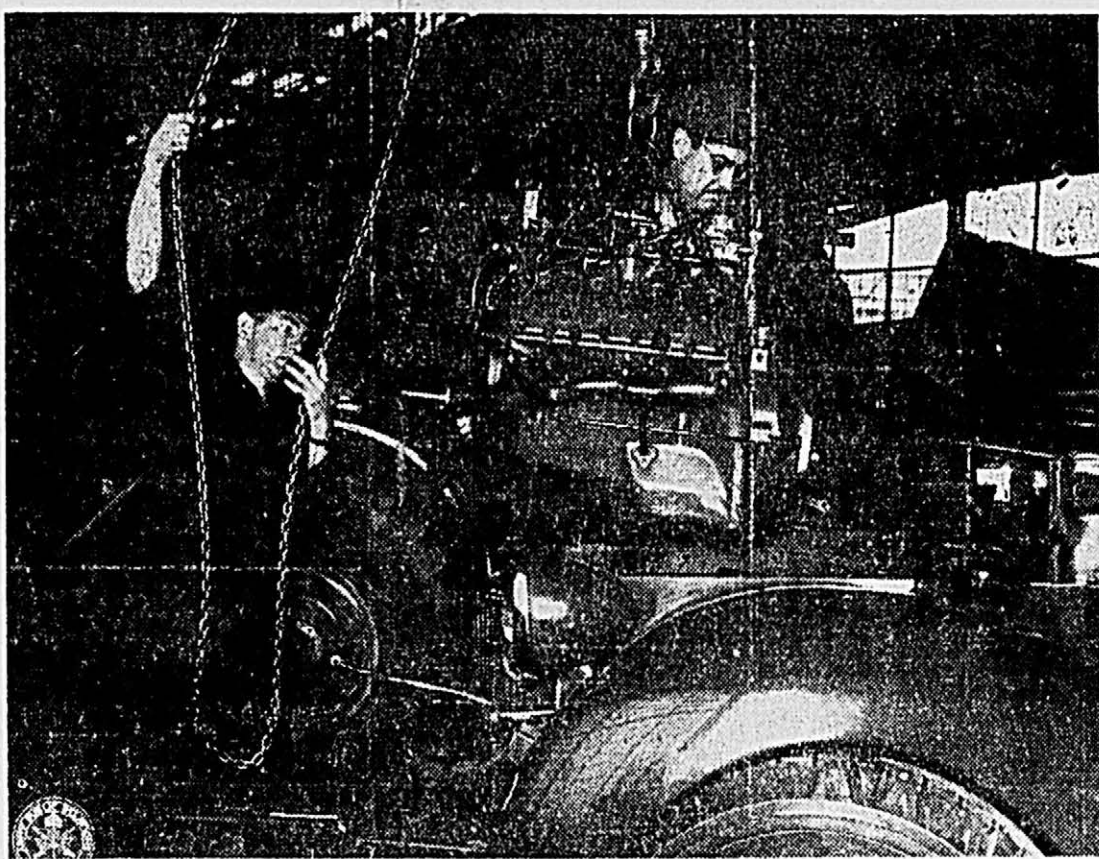
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Two McGill engineers, R. A. Bowie and G. K. Mantha are installing a Ford V-8 engine in a fire truck at a base work shop of the Royal Canadian Electrical and Mechanical Engineers, following an overhaul job.

these hallowed halls from the tomb to the shrine

by arectis auribus

The primary purpose of this, the youngest Daily column, is to keep undergraduates informed on the doings of other undergraduates, mostly thanks to the unscrupulous use of the dubious method of publicizing things that should remain semi-private...

Such as the fact, for instance, that we're not a bit surprised to realize that some 400 wolves will be taking French 43 this year... word got around that lovely Kay Root has registered for the course... Will the Freshman please come forward who asked a Campus Tour guide of upper years how often the Daily is published?

One of the Christmas-treest events on the campus, the Arts and Science Informal, will be held this year on November 6, at the Currie Gym, with Harry Miller making the arrangements.

We are asked to emphasize that the McGill Outing Club do not consider experience a pre-requisite, where their rock-climbing and trail-clearing adventures are concerned. All those interested in the first MOC week-end excursion—tomorrow—are advised that all they need is a return ticket to Ste. Marguerite, a pair of running shoes, their own lunch and a yen for trail clearing (we might add, on the biased basis of personal experience, "a yen for Lana Turner"). The group will meet at 8.55 tomorrow morning at Windsor Station. Heidi Eartly (W7750), the Hedy Lamarr of the outfit, has all the information.

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Varsity Naval Training Plan Begins Oct. 13

With summer naval training over, the program for the University year will get under way on Wednesday, Oct. 13th. Reports of the summer's training indicate that it will be a more experienced group who return to H.M.C.S. "Donnacora", Montreal's Naval Reserve Division, than that which left it in May. The summer's training has given the U.N.T.D. both specialized and general training at sea and ashore, on the east and west coast naval bases and with a cruiser of the Royal Navy.

Some six students from McGill and U. of M. received their summer's training—including a cruise from Bermuda to Esquimaux through the Panama Canal—aboard the cruiser H.M.S. "Sheffield", flagship of the America and West Indies Squadron of the Royal Navy. Others picked up their "cruiser time" in H.M.C.S. "Ontario" of the Canadian Navy. There were many other opportunities to get to sea and several specialized courses for the U.N.T.D. ashore such as the Supply and Secretariat course given at H.M.C.S. "Naden", Canada's naval training establishment on the west coast.

Navigational, divisional, damage control, and gunnery courses are just a few of those which were open to the U.N.T.D. during the summer. Regular two week cruises from Halifax to Bermuda and return were part of the all-out program which the Navy organized for Reserves and the U.N.T.D. Some were lucky enough to get aboard either the Aircraft Carrier H.M.C.S. "Magnificent" or her escorting destroyers on the northern cruise to Hudson Bay.

Youthful Freshman Class, Contrasts with Veterans' Era

By BRIAN CAHILL

The accent was on youth at McGill Wednesday as one of the largest bodies of wide-eyed freshmen and "freshettes" in the history of the university were registered and welcomed in Sir Arthur Currie Gymnasium.

University authorities noted with mixed feelings of satisfaction and apprehension the preponderance of 16- to 18-year-olds as contrasted with the freshmen classes of the past few years which were heavily weighted with older, serious-minded and sometimes even grim-visaged ex-service men and women.

For the veterans in most cases life was real, life was earnest. Frequently they were married and had family responsibilities. Almost always their main purpose was to "get through" as quickly as possible and begin to earn a living. Combat veterans particularly were inclined to be scornful of the "childish" social activities of their younger classmates. Only as they moved into the second, third and fourth years did they tend to lose their initial chip-on-the-shoulder attitude and enter more into "college life."

The fresh-faced young ladies and

McGill Will Honour Prominent Persons At Same Ceremony

Viscountess, Quebec Premier Are Among Degree Recipients

Names of almost 300 graduates and undergraduates of McGill University who will receive degrees and diplomas at the Founder's Day convocation ceremonies Oct. 6, were released yesterday following a meeting of the senate of the university.

These students will receive their degrees and diplomas at the same ceremony at which honorary degrees will be awarded to Viscountess Alexander of Tunis, wife of the Governor-General of Canada; Premier Duplessis of Quebec, Dr. S. E. Smith, president of the University of Toronto, and A. H. S. Gillison, M.A., O.B.E., president of the University of Manitoba. The Governor-General will attend the ceremonies.

The names follow:

FACULTY OF GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH

Master of Social Work: Bishop, Eleanor Doreen, B.A., M.A., Marbleton, Que.; Blisshen, Ruth Edith Popkin, B.A., Lachine, Que.; Cawley, Jean Isabel, B.A., Edmonton, Alberta; Figler, Bernard, L.L.L., Outremont; Gollieb, Eunice June, B.A., Winnipeg, Man.; Lehane, Kathleen, B.A., Cupar, Sask.; Martel, Suzanne, B.A., Montreal; Nash, Marygold Victoria, B.A., Vancouver, B.C.; Pearson, Janet Elizabeth, B.A., Ingersoll, Ont.; Percival, Catherine Wylie Coleman, B.A., Toronto, Ont.; Ruaird-Wichers, Maria Wilhelmina, B.A., Ottawa, Ont.; Shaw, Frances Christian, B.A., Durban, Natal, (Union South Africa); Shaw, Mildred Elizabeth, B.A., Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.; Smith, Joan May, B.A., Montreal; Smith, Ruth Morrison, B. Com., Shubernacade, N.S.; Spector, Esther, B.A., Montreal; Thomas, Joan Carruthers Carter, B.A., Toronto, Ont.

Master of Science: Bates, John Inghram, M.D., C.M., Montreal; Belletto, Sergio, B.Sc., M.D., C.M., Ciudad Trujillo, Dominican Republic; Blake, Donald Alan Wright, B.Sc., Saint John, N.B.; Bloomfield, Solomon, B.A., B.Sc., St. Brissac, Quebec; Goldman, Leonard M., A.B., New York; Herer, Moe Lionel, B.Sc., Montreal; Hildebrand, Henry Herman, B.A., Fowler, Kansas; Jeffrey, Claire Osborne, B.Sc., Montreal; Kelen, Andrew, B.Sc., M.D., C.M., Montreal; Keys, John David, B.Sc., Montreal; Langille, Winston Murray, B.Sc., Truro, N.S.; Leach, William Bernard, M.D., Abord-a-Plouffe, Que.; Leith, Wilfred, B.A., M.D., C.M., Sydney, N.S.; Levitan, Benjamin Abraham, B.Sc., M.D., C.M., Montreal; McCormiston, James Roland, B.A., M.D., C.M., Montreal; MacNeill, Ruby Jean, B.Sc., Summerside, P.E.I.; Murphy, David Ross, B.Sc., M.D., C.M., Montreal; Narasimhan, Ramanujangar, B.Sc., Bangalore, India; Nelson, Helen Ridout, B.H.S., Richelieu, Que.; Nussey, Albert Norris, B.Sc., Macdonald College, Que.; Rockwell, Keith Redden, B.Sc., Montreal; Ross, Winnifred Margaret, B.Sc., Macdonald College; Stranks, Donald Winfield, B.A., Ottawa; Streiffield, Murray M., B.Sc., New York; Talvenheimo, Gerhardt, B.Sc., Jonquiere, Que.; Thurston, Arthur

Munro, B.Eng., Verdun, Que.; Torsion, Wilfred Earl, M.D., C.M., McClelland, California; Waugh, Douglas Oliver William, M.D., C.M., Montreal; Woodford, Vernon Rich, Jr., B.S., North Carolina; Yu, Pei-Liang, B.S., Kwangtung, China; Zirinsky, Victor J., B.S., Shanghai, China.

Master of Engineering: Campbell, Richard Hood, B.S., Fitchburg, Mass.; Diamond, George Bernard, B.Eng., Montreal.

Master of Arts: Benn, Doris Evelyn, B.A., Montreal; Bennett, Richard Luman, B.A., M.A., Kalamazoo, Mich.; Bowes, Walter Gordon, B.A., B.Ed., Windsor, N.S.; Chipman, John Somerset, B.A., Oka, Que.; Devine, Francis J., B.A., B.Ph., Montreal; Gowdey, Cecil Wallace, B.A., Montreal; Irvine, Lucille, B.A., Montreal; Keepe, George Rex Crowley, B.A., Bridgeport, Notts., England; Laing, Eleanor Jean, B.A., Montreal; Macfarlane, Joan Margaret, B.Sc., Montreal; McLeish, John Alexander Buchanan, B.A., Montreal; Saunders, Thomas, B.A., Montreal; Tansey, Charlotte Hunter, B.A., Montreal; Zakuta, Leo, B.A., Montreal.

Doctor of Philosophy: Bartholomew, Gilbert Alfred, B.A., Vancouver, B.C.; Booth, Kenneth Gordon, B.A., Como, Que.; Boulet, Marcel, L.S.A., M.Sc., Ottawa, Ont.; Branen, Eric, B.A., M.A., St. Catharines, Ont.; Brunton, Donald Charles, B.Sc., Deep River, Ont.

Clarke, Robert Lee, B.Sc., Vermillion, Alberta; Cole, Pierre E., B.A., B.Sc., Quebec City; Ellington, Alton Caveril, B.Sc., M.Sc., Edmonton, Alberta; Girdwood, Barbara Mabel, B.A., M.Sc., Barrie, Ont.; Greenblatt, Jayson, B.Sc., Montreal; Hutcheon, Alan Thompson, B.A., M.A., Roseton, Sask.; Knowles, John Warwick, B.A., Deep River, Ont.; Leslie, John Duncan, B.A., B.A.Sc., Montreal; MacKenzie, James Stewart, B.Sc., Montreal; MacKenzie, Kenneth Reading, B.A., M.D., C.M., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., Westmount, Que.; Michel, Walter S., B.A., Montreal; Montgomery, Douglas Sargent, B.Sc., Beloit Station, Que.; Morrison, Wesley Adair, B.A., M.A., Ottawa, Ont.; Pepper, Thomas Peter, B.A., M.A., Victoria, B.C.; Quinn, Hubert Frederick, B.Sc., M.Sc., Montreal; Russell, Stewart Henry, B.Eng., Westmount, Que.

Saffran, Judith, B.Sc., Montreal; Simard, Thomas, B.S.A., M.Sc., Macdonald College, Que.; Sinclair, George Winston, B.Sc., M.Sc., London, Ont.; Stephens - Newsham, Lloyd George, B.A., Saskatoon, Sask.; Turner, Terry Earle, B.Sc., B.A., Kentville, N.S.; Voyvodic, Louis, B.Sc., Noranda, Que.; Walker, Jessie Mary, B.Sc., Sarnia, Ont.; Warren, Ross F. G., B.Sc., Montreal; Yalden-Thompson, David Cron, M.A., Westmount, Que.

SCHOOL FOR GRADUATE NURSES

Recommended for Degrees: Allen, F. Moyra, Beaurepaire, P.Q.; Basknick, Mary P., Raymond, Alta.; Brown, Catherine M., Edmonton, Alta.; Bryson, Helen L., Barrie, Ont.; Clift, Mariel L., Melfort, Sask.; Crowe, Catherine, Saskatoon, Sask.; Dales, Gwendolyn M., Medicine Hat, Alta.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE TO BAND MEMBERS

A band is being organized to play at the McGill-OAC rugby game tomorrow. All former members of the McGill band and any persons interested in playing in Saturday's band are urged to be at the Currie Gym (Pine Ave) in the gymnasium proper at 12.30. This is necessary in order that they receive uniforms and music in good time for the game.

DAWSON MEMBERS

Arrangements have been made through Vic Obeck to have the McGill bus pick up band members at the front gate at Dawson sharp at 12 noon.

CAMPUS TYPES



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THE MCGILL DAILY

One day, back in 1911 a group of enterprising and excited students waited nervously for the first issue of the first college daily paper in Canada to roll off the presses. Since that day, thousands of students have worked to help it take shape. Today it stands as the oldest full-size college daily in Canada, and has taken its place amongst the foremost university newspaper publications in America.

The first function of The Daily has been to fill the demand for news of students' activities—to produce a true picture of student life at McGill, both inside and outside the lecture halls. As a member of the Canadian University Press it has brought to McGill students a similar picture of other Canadian Universities and has given the students at these universities a view of McGill University. Thus The Daily has played its part in presenting a cross-section of Canadian Undergraduate activity.

For its own staff, The Daily presents an apprenticeship training in newspaper writing and editing. In a sense, it is a school of journalism. Many of our graduates have entered the field of journalism having received their sole schooling working on this newspaper.

"The object of every newspaper is three-fold: to inform, to guide and to entertain. It must bring the facts before the public eye and interpret these facts in an intelligent and unbiased manner. When thus used it becomes a constructive power in educating a nation and in creating and reflecting public opinion."

As a newspaper, the McGill Daily attempts to fill this same purpose, differing only in the area of its influence and the sphere of its interests. Its information is limited to the coverage of news events affecting or interesting university students. As a campus paper, its entertainment value must be greater than that of a metropolitan daily.

Insofar as guidance is concerned, The Daily

seeks rather to make its readers think, through a fair statement of the problem, than to set the trend of campus opinion. Through discussion columns such as "Letters to the Editor" and the "Student Forum" it seeks to reflect and thus help formulate campus opinion.

Such campus publications on this continent have used their editorial columns to present partial opinions on political matters and on elections. We intend to keep these columns free of such attitudes. In our constitution we have declared: "No editorial shall treat of a religious or political question in a partisan way, or express or imply any but a neutral attitude in discussing any student election." That is our code and we shall follow it.

Opinions expressed in the editorial columns of The Daily are those of the managing Board, consistent this year in the Editor-in-Chief, the Managing Editor and the News Editor—they are not necessarily those of the Students Society.

This year as in the past we will print one hundred issues—most of them 4 pages, some six. There will be a special issue at Christmas.

The staff is composed of students who offer their services because of loyalty and interest in The Daily and journalism. They expect and receive no monetary remuneration for their work. We are amateurs, but will try and bring to you a product as good and as polished as any professional efforts in this field.

We expect there will be some among you, as there are every year, who will take an interest in the production of this newspaper, and come down to work with us. The Daily is written the evening before publication. Our newsroom and offices are located in the McGill Union. Every student is welcome anytime, to see how we operate and, if so inclined, to join us. Freshmen particularly have always visited The Daily, and this year special arrangements are being made to show visitors around and introduce new staff.

quest. "I would advise you gentlemen, to return a verdict of suicide while the balance of mind was disturbed. After all, gentlemen," he argued, "he was late for his first lecture."

BREAK INTO PRINT!

The Daily is your tribunal. Your opinions on questions artistic, scientific or political can be shared with thousands of others through these columns.

There are several openings on the Art, Drama and Music staffs for people with the necessary technical knowledge and a flair for creative writing.

Prose and verse, humorous or otherwise, will be welcomed.

Contributions and communications should be left at the Tuck Shop in the Union or in The Daily office.

Feature Editor.

Homesick

by
Len Ashley

dawson college.
frid. oct. 1, '48.

dear dad,
you will be surprised to see that I have something to ask you for. because you could never guess what it is I'll tell you. why didn't you send the sixty bucks I asked you for in my last letter? I need it—you know how it is. what did you mean when you wrote "it's because I know how it is that I'm not sending it?"

I was rushed, pledged, and initiated into a frat. last wednes. afternoon when I told them that you owned four rail-roads. I didn't tell them that they are the wind-up kind but will let them think that they are electric.

I especially don't like the sophomores here. they are drunk with power. well maybe it's power.

all the professors here wear black things like somebody is dead. gee, I hope it's a sophomore.

I knew that this was a koeducational college but I didn't think that there would be girls here too. wednes. I went to a dance put on by the musician's Union and more than half the people dancing were girls. one girl said I am a first class shmo. is that good?

it is going to be just as easy here as in high school. you only have to get 50% in exams so that means I can fail every second one like I did in high school.

'the dean said I am the type of student you only get once in a hundred years. he added thank heaven, which goes to show he's glad to have me. I guess there aren't many students like me here. the dean is a very nice man but he seems kind of old to be going to college.

I better close now as it is late and I was supposed to turn out the light four hours ago. some sophomores are trying to break down the door.

Your son

p.s. please send the money soon.
p.p.s. the sophomores cant open the door.

MUSIC FACULTY CARNEGIE LIBRARY AND MUSIC ROOM

All students of the University are welcome to visit and make use of the Carnegie Music Room in the Music Faculty. The room is comfortably furnished and recitals of music on the gramophone are given. Students may choose their own records from the extensive library. Volunteers are called for to supervise the handling of the records. The room is open only during such time as a voluntary supervisor is in charge. The Library also contains a large selection of miniature scores and other music.

The Room is open between 10 a.m. and six p.m. except during the following hours which are reserved for lectures:

Monday—All morning and from 3-5.
Tuesday—11-12 p.m. and from 3-4
Wednesday—All morning.
Thursday—11-12 p.m.

Dawson Open House

A very cordial invitation is extended to all Dawson students to attend Dawson's Open House. The students and their parents will be escorted around the campus by the Dawson Key. Tea will be served at three-thirty at the Faculty Club. Try not to miss this excellent chance, for you and your parents, to meet your future professors and to see the Dawson College campus.

Beetles Come to Town

Billions of little black cockchafer beetles recently invaded the town of Warragul, Victoria. They lay a foot deep under the street lights. Residents had to shovel them out of the houses. A few years ago these cockchafers choked the gutters of Warrambol, another Victorian town. The local council had to cart away and bury 12 truck-loads.

at all. Why in God's name make it so evident that all of us here are just as stupid as freshmen, and also as self-conscious.

In any case, Freshman Reception does its work. Nine out of ten freshmen will turn out to pep rallies in the pouring rain, simply to pour kerosene all over their bright new McGill blazers. He even feels obliged to answer all the clothing ads that start pouring into his mailbox from around Phillips Square. It is the freshman, and only the freshman, who takes all his Dailies home: until mid-November he will be keeping up a file "for all the four years he is at college. And above all he wonders what it must feel like to be a senior.

I still do. I must confess. For it is the senior who is responsible for the phenomenon of The Freshman. (Name withheld.)

Ed's Note: We wonder why he didn't want his name published?

Against The Wind

by Betty Sinclair

In a recent copy of the Overseas Mail there appeared a brief announcement of the number of men and women who died as a result of their sabotage activity for the Allies during the latest war. There were names and the occupations of some of these saboteurs, and there was something implicitly moving in the bare little article. Mlle X, schoolmistress; Julie Y, seamstress; Andre Z, clerk; all of them moved by patriotism and all possessed of the particularly cold type of courage that their tasks as destroyers of the enemy's war potential demanded.

To make a film of the work of these saboteurs was to face a temptation either to play it for all its heroic value or to present a documentary, which sometimes lacks a very necessary touch of humanity. Charles Crichton has effected a very excellent compromise. He has directed the cast of Against the Wind with that understatement

that characterizes the better English movies; each actor plays his role with such complete plausibility and naturalness that it is almost impossible to realize that one is watching a mere performance; and a deed of courage emerges as just that, never as cold melodrama or blazing heroics. The story is merely an episode, there is no happy ending, not even a respite for the workers, their job continues. The pattern is clear, theirs was just a part that went to make up the whole of victory.

The photography is clear cut and imaginative, and the Belgium locale has an air of authenticity, for which however I am not in a position to vouch.

To sum up, this is a thoroughly worthwhile film, and although the place has become almost a tawdry thing, it is only the bitterest cynic who can fail to be moved by a narration of the courage that made it possible.



WANTED CARTOONISTS — AND IDEAS

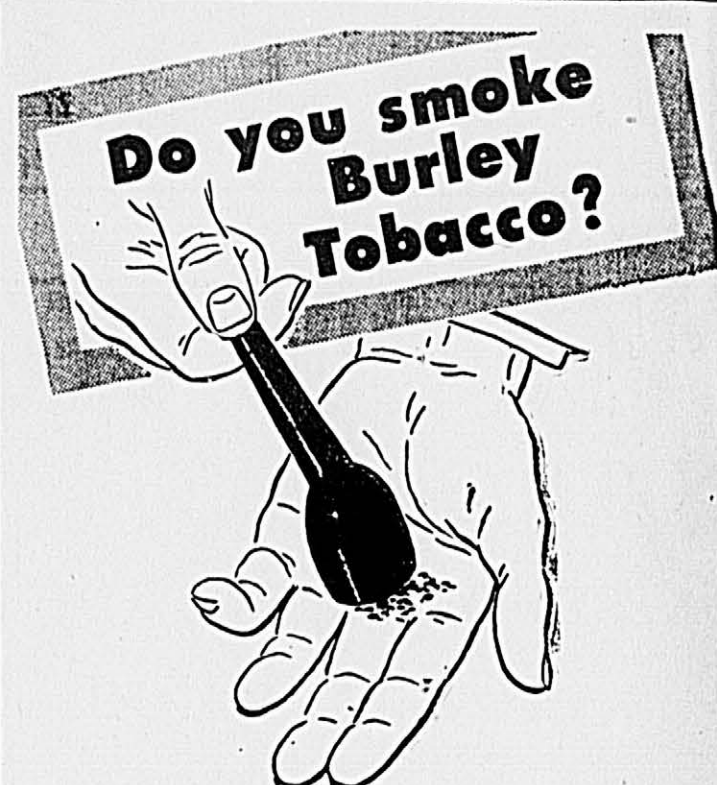
You can draw without having good ideas, be an idea-man without being able to draw a line, or you can stick to drawing your own ideas if you wish. Whatever you do, take advantage of this opportunity to develop your talents and get your name into print. Here's what to do:—

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A Tragedy

by Sy Yasin

The Freshman walked through the centre door of the Art's building, teeth clenched, his eyes burning fiercely against the white of his skin. The groups of students who had been standing about stared at him silently as he walked down the stairs and towards the Roddick Gate. "That's him," they muttered to one another. "That's the fellow."

His body trembling he quickened his steps on approaching the entrance of the campus. Once on Sherbrooke street he broke into a run and hailed a taxi. The driver turned to him, and the smile left his face. "Say," he exclaimed, "aren't you the fellow...?" A quick, cold look from the student cut him short. The Freshie blurted out an address and sunk back into the seat. His face retained its immobility. From his lips came the words "ruined, ruined."

Having arrived at his residence, the student gave the cabbie a bill and rushed into the house without waiting for change. Inside his room he locked the door, rushed to a drawer, took out a pistol and proceeded to shoot himself through the head.

The Coroner was addressing his jury at the in-

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Editor,
Dear Sir,

It's good to see freshmen around again. Not only does it bring back to me blissful memories of my youth, but it also convinces me beyond doubt that college does something for a man.

And the first time that it does anything, of course, is at the beginning of Freshman Week. It takes the pick of the high-school football captains, keen types fresh from literary magazines (and raising points of order in school councils), big wheels and B.M.O. High Schools in general, and in four days it reduces them to the desired degree of awe and self-consciousness. Every year, I examine the Freshman Reception Programme to dis-

cover what secret factor makes it so potentially destructive, but each year I am baffled. Perhaps it is the magnificent hush of that first assembly in Moysie Hall, enhanced by the estoteric hum of the distant microphones, that can convince a freshman of the futility of his individuality. The ennobled demigods in their priestly garb — white sweaters with red bands — are introduced with what seems to be a mythical record of athletic and extra-curricular achievements. "I'm not a Big Wheel any more," sighs the Freshman, and surreptitiously he removes his High School Merit Pin.

And what can more shatter a man's ego, his pride in his way of living, than to make him stand

four hours, that only he may shake the principal's hand. He must spend four hours too, staring inarticulately at gingko trees, stuffed gorillas, anonymous portraits, AC-DC Conversion signs, panitors, mailboxes, and sewer intakes. Having lost faith in the value of his past, he loses it in the value of his present existence. Freshman Reception has done its ugly work: the new soul is subdued; the erstwhile star is informed that he sufficiently housebroken. With the new outlook he is flattered by the big red signs: Welcome Freshmen.

Other colleges use less subtle techniques, involving green paint, toilet paper, brooms, mops, and pails. I must say I have never been able to explain the success of this

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The basic conditions of eligibility are as follows:

Applicants must be British subjects. Preference will be given to those who are residents of Canada or who declare their intention of remaining in Canada after graduation.

Students must be at least seventeen years of age and must be able to complete at least two years' training before reaching the age limit of the various corps of the army. These age limits vary from 23 to 35 years of age.

Applicants preferably should have senior matriculation standing, but for this year a number holding junior matriculation can be accepted.

Students following a five year course are eligible providing they apply in their first, second or third year at University.

Those in a four year course may only apply in their first and second year at University, while students taking a three year course must commence training in their first year.

There is, however, some flexibility for students who plan post-graduate work immediately following completion of their present course and they may be accepted in their penultimate or final University year.

As there is a relationship between the work of some corps of the army and certain University faculties it is the desire to obtain students who are taking the appropriate University courses to fill the vacancies. This is reflected in the following table:

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Students wishing to be commissioned in the Pay, Provost or Intelligence Corps, may be following any course. They must however train initially with another corps.

There is also provisions covering ex-officers of the services who are attending University. These are rather detailed but in general ex-officers of R.C.N. and R.C.A.F. are acceptable providing they resign their commissions and are released by their previous service. Ex-army officers are acceptable on reversion to the rank of Second Lieutenant and may train in a corps other than that in which they are now qualified, preferably it should be a corps allied to their University faculty. For example, an ex-Infantry Officer, now a student of engineering, would be acceptable to the Royal Canadian Engineers.

Freshman Stag This Evening In The Union

Tonight will see the Union doors open to all Freshmen as this year's Smoker—the first Stag event of the season—gets under way in the ballroom. Starting time is eight o'clock, and Bob Sproule, in charge of arrangements, emphasized the fact that admission for Fresh is absolutely free.

The evening will get underway with a sing-song so that all Freshmen may have an opportunity to learn the better-known songs and yells before Saturday's football game. Then Rob Adams and his

Trio, with their "Accent on Rhythm" music, will provide a short entertainment program.

The central point of the program will be a talk by Professor Culliton of the Economics Department—a tradition that has become steadily more popular as the years go by. There will also be short addresses by R. M. Gill of the Students Society, and Jack Crepeau, President of the Union. Between these talks, Rob Adams will provide more of his distinctive music.

The evening will not be without adequate refreshment facilities. Cigarettes will be given out, and beer and cokes will be on sale, so in the words of chairman Sproule, "The college spirit should reach a new high."

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Freshman!

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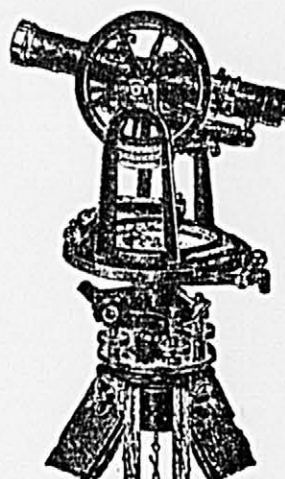


THE "ROMMEL-LIKE" INDIVIDUAL, above right, is actually J. R. G. Cox of McGill, commanding a Sherman and crew during tactical exercises at the Armoured Corps School during the CWTC course summer 1948.

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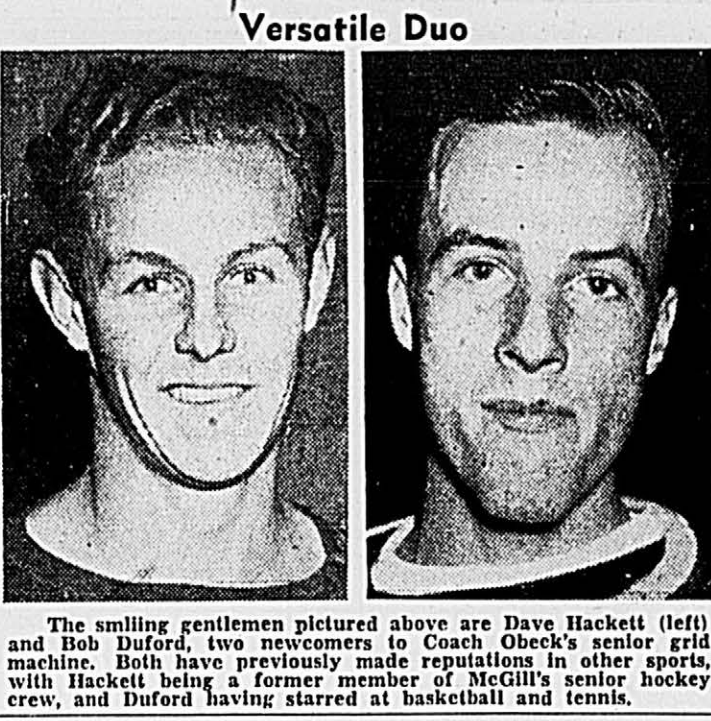
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Sportviews

By Bob Bornstein

The other day this writer was comfortably sprawled on an easy chair in the reading room of the Union when he noticed two students busily engaged in conversation close by. We couldn't help overhearing the discussion and it was noted that one was a freshman and the other, an upper-classman. The former seemed very enthusiastic about his new alma mater while the latter, who seemed to know all there was to know about McGill, remained calm and collected. The following is a goodly portion of the conversation:

FRESHIE: Gee, but this sure is a swell college. Do they give you much homework here?

U.C.: Well, you're supposed to do the work on your own.

FRESHIE: You mean nobody checks up on us every day.

U.C.: That's right pal.

FRESHIE: Tell me, where can I find the McGill Union?

U.C.: My boy, you're in it.

FRESHIE: Well what do you know I hear that you have a fine football team. I wonder if I should play for it.

U.C.: Regarding our team, we think it has a great future, but as for you playing on it, Vic Obeck has chosen the squad already. By the way have you ever played football before?

FRESHIE: Sure, I was third string quarterback for my high school team.

U.C.: No kidding. I'll bet you were a real sensation. Did you get any pro offers?

FRESHIE: No, not yet. Boy, it must be exciting at those big games. The bands playing, the players battling up and down the field, the cheerleaderettes doing cartwheels and the crowd yelling.

U.C.: Well it is exciting, but we have cheerleaderettes not cheerleaderettes.

FRESHIE: What! No cheerleaderettes. I thought that every college had cheerleaderettes.

U.C.: Most of them have. But getting away from football, how did you get along on registration day?

FRESHIE: Oh not too bad except for the fact that there was such a big crowd in front of the Gym that I had to stand in line for two hours.

U.C.: How awful! You must have had a terrible time.

FRESHIE: What are all those fellows in that room doing? They seem to be playing some game on those green tables.

U.C.: That game is called snooker. Why don't you try it. You'll enjoy it.

FRESHIE: Maybe I will. Who is that man over there?

U.C.: Why, that's Josh Booth. He's caretaker of the pool-room. Everybody likes him, he's a fine gentleman. Been here for a long time. There's a man who can tell stories about the great teams fielded by McGill in former years.

FRESHIE: Gee, I'll have to get to know Josh.

U.C.: Have you arranged your time-table yet?

FRESHIE: Oh yes! Everything is fine, except for one little matter. I have three lectures at 10 o'clock on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

U.C.: My God! You'll have to change a few of your subjects. You can't attend three lectures at once.

FRESHIE: Maybe I shouldn't go to any of them.

U.C.: That's one solution, but I wouldn't recommend it. I suggest that you see the Dean and re-arrange your schedule.

FRESHIE: You mean Dizzy Dean?

U.C.: No, not that one. Look pal I'd rather advise you to read the instruction sheet you received.

FRESHIE: What instruction sheet?

U.C.: Didn't you pick one up at the Gym on registration day?

FRESHIE: Nah, I was so confused I didn't know if I was coming or going.

U.C.: (softly) You still don't.

FRESHIE: What was that?

U.C.: Nothing. Not a thing. I didn't say a word.

FRESHIE: I could have sworn I heard you say something.

U.C.: 1-2-3-4-5-6-

FRESHIE: Say, that fellow reading over there. Isn't he Murray Hayes, star back of the team.

U.C.: That's he all right. He's been the mainstay of Red football squads for the past three years and we expect him to lead the way again.

FRESHIE: Do you think maybe he'd give me his autograph?

U.C.: Could be. Why don't you try.

FRESHIE: I will later on when I have my autograph book handy.

U.C.: I'll bet your book is full of big names.

FRESHIE: You bet it is. Last year I got Doug Heron's autograph at one game.

U.C.: That is something. You certainly are Johnny-on-the-spot, aren't you?

FRESHIE: Well, I do my best at all times.

U.C.: That's a fine principle to adhere to. I hope you continue to do your best here at McGill. If you do, you should have no trouble getting good marks and your college life should prove very enjoyable. Try to find time to participate in extra-curricular activities such as campus clubs and athletics.

U.C.: Good luck freshman.



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Swimming Mentor Calls For New Men To Bolster Squad

With the first meet of the season scheduled for the early part of December Coach Vic Curran has issued a call for swimmers. Though the exact date has not yet been determined it has been decided to hold a meeting next week to get things organized for the first practice which will be held on October fifth or sixth at the Canadian Legion Pool on Mountain Street.

The swimmers had a very successful season last year competing in thirteen meets and winning nine of them. However one of their losses was in the intercollegiate meet with Toronto and Queen's.

The Blues edged them out of the championship that they had held for the last four years by a mere two points.

Taking into account the holdovers and known additions Coach Curran promises a very strong team. He has lost his star diver Dr. George Athans, but the latter is now aiding him in the coach department. Dr. Athans added to his laurels as a diver at the Olympic Games this year when he placed ninth in the springboard diving and eighth in the platform event. He competed in the latter despite a very serious cold.

Peter Mingie, another member of the Canadian Olympic Swim Team will also be competing for the Red and White this year. Though located at Dawson Mingie hopes to come to Montreal often enough to be able to aid the team in the backstroke events. McGill has been further strengthened in this department by the enrollment of Adin Merrow. Merrow was an accomplished American Intercollegiate swimmer annexing the New England Conference backstroke championship last year.

In the holdover department Curran and Athans have Stan Christie, the Canadian Intercollegiate 50 yard free style champion. This will

be Stan's third year with the team. Also back are last year's captain Elliot Young, a 220 man as well as Bill Errington, Norm Ashton and Gary Cooper.

The schedule this year is composed of nine meets. The Redmen face Bowdoin University of Brunswick Maine here at the N.D.G. pool during the second weekend of December in the opener. Following this event there are meets with Connecticut University, Howard U., Brooklyn College, American U., Amherst, Springfield and Rensselaire. They close the season with the Intercollegiate meet at Toronto on Feb. 26.

Around the Campus with Egbert

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Daggett Out of Action

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Newcomers Bolster Senior Ranks; Intermediates Clash With Aggies

First trial for the McGill seconds comes this Saturday against the Macdonald College "Aggies" at St. Anne's. Coach Daniels will send approximately three and a half teams to meet the Green and Gold in an exhibition game.

The game is intended to give the intermediate teams a taste of intercollegiate play before they open their schedule next Saturday. The squad being sent to Mac is a composite group of both "A" and "B" teams. This squad will be split up before next week-end into two teams.

The "A" League begins with the Redmen playing Loyola at Molson Stadium on Saturday afternoon, Oct. 9. Loyola was intermediate champ last year under the coaching of McGill's Bill Orban.

McGill's "B" team also plays next week-end, taking in the dream trip of the season. The Students' Council of Dalhousie University has voted \$1,650.00 to bring the Redmen down to Halifax to play the Dal crew.

The intermediate "B" League does not open until the next Thursday with the McGill entry at Bishops. The Lennoxville college has gone into football in a big way this season, importing a \$2,000-dollar-a-year coach from the states in an effort

to climb out of their habitual spot in the league cellar.

DEFEATED REDMEN

To return to the Mac team in the "B" loop, the team the Reds play this Saturday. Their last year's record includes two defeats of the McGill squad. The '48 version of the St. Anne's team is practically the same with stars like Wallace at snap, and Tiny Thompson in the backfield returning. The "Aggies" have been in training for almost two weeks and a well conditioned squad will be on hand to greet the Red team tomorrow.

The other team in the "B" league is an old rival of McGill's, the club from Dawson. This team turns out to practice today under Coach O'Donnahue at the Lower Soblo-vian Mud Bowl with several of the boys who have been out at the McGill training camp.

The "A" league is spread over a wider area with the McGill boys playing against Queen's seconds, Ottawa U., which showed here last Saturday, Carleton College, also from the capital, and the Loyola team.

Coach Is Appointed For Women's Tennis

Mrs. Sanwick, outstanding English tennis coach who instructed coeds in tennis last session is returning this year, according to an announcement from the Department of Athletics and Physical Education for Women.

Assisting Mrs. Sanwick will be Elaine Fildes, formerly a McGill student who has distinguished herself in tennis on this continent.

Classes will be held on the Hollow courts daily, October 4 to 15 inclusive from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Balls will be supplied, but students are required to bring their own rackets.

All women students, beginners or advanced, may reserve coaching time by signing the R.V.C. bulletin board immediately.

Large Number Of Intramural Activities Set

Howie Ryan, Director of Intramural Athletics and Recreation Activities worked hard this summer, and it certainly shows. He has organized a system that can't miss, a system that covers pretty nearly every sport in the books; from mixed badminton, to the most mashing of all physical activities, floor hockey. Also included are softball, volleyball, swimming, track and field, riflery, and M.O.C. sponsored mountain climbing, track clearing, skiing, etc.

As far as softball is concerned things get underway as soon as there are enough teams to create an intramural league. This can only be done if the male students of all faculties who are interested in playing softball will fill in the notices on the notice board.

(If they aren't up yet, they will be soon). The game will be played outdoors, on the middle field, which oddly enough is between the lower field (Molson Stadium) and the upper field. Games will probably start at 4.45, and every game will be of four inning duration. If there are any difficulties, you are requested by the Intramural staff to contact Don McIlvaine at Peterson Residence.

Don't forget to turn out to the Golf Tournament this coming Monday at the Montreal Golf Club (Dixie) . . . play goes on from 9 to dusk . . . come when you can . . . the top four men will make the Intercollegiate trip to Kingston . . . and keep your eye on the tennis tournament which will probably come off on the eleventh of October . . . the Track and Field events will be run off on Tuesday, the fifth . . . anyone who has participated in a Senior Intercollegiate track meet for McGill before is not eligible . . . take advantage of the intramural

Basketball Candidates Wanted

Howie Ryan has sent out a call to all those who intend turning out for the basketball team this year. A meeting for all candidates will be held Tuesday, October 5th at five o'clock in Room 14 of the Currie Gym. The hoop mentor will outline his plans for the coming season. The first scheduled tilt will be with Clarkson Tech. on November 20. Coach Ryan emphasizes that an early start is important and urges all those thinking of turning out to start training as soon as possible. To this end an outdoor training program has been set up and will commence on Monday, October 11. A call has also been sent out for someone to manage the intermediate team. Any one may apply and no experience is necessary.

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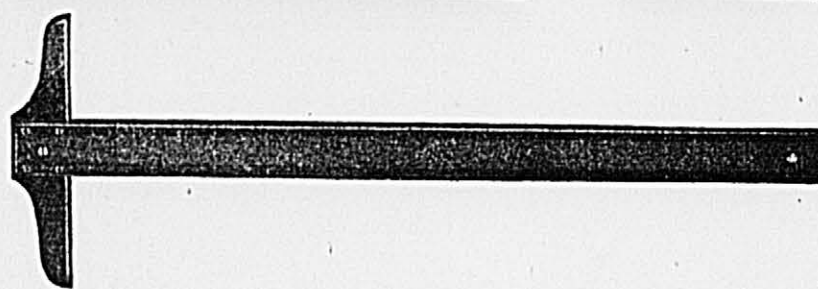
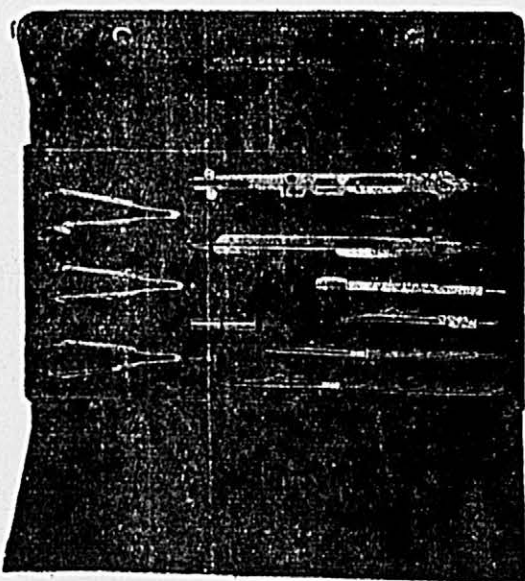
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tual problems were those with which the staff was equipped to cope by training and experience. They represented a return to the normal, unhurried, somewhat self-centred "academic" way of life into which the hurrying veterans did not entirely fit.

Apprehension did not outweigh satisfaction as members of the faculty contemplated the consequences of this "back to normal" trend yesterday, but it was there nevertheless. These kids were going to have fun as well as study and problems of discipline and of curbing youthful high spirits and directing them into valuable channels were almost bound to increase. Perhaps it was awareness of this which set the tone for the annual "messages" from Principal F. Cyril James and Professor H.

HALLOWED—p. 1

Former Daily News Editor Keith Tishaw, now-pring for Northern Electric, was in Paris for that outfit last summer, and wanted to get a behind-the-scenes view of the Folies Bergeres. He was admitted with a male bow and 500 female grins upon showing an exotic document: a McGill Daily pass. The moral of the story is: it isn't foolish to work for the Daily, but it got one guy into Follies.

The Freshman Dance held last night in the Union was truly a first-class affair: ask any upper-class man who was there. (Who else was there, by the way?) Our sister-soul, who is helping us write this column, lost his girl when he dashed down to the Daily offices to record an item of utmost interest: (CENSORED).

His only comment was: freshmen this year are living up to their seniors. What could I expect but lose my girl?

Jack Crepeau seen entertaining a select group of guests before the dance. Sid (sports) Feldman spent all his off-lecture time last year delaying the Daily work telling us about his beautiful sister. We began to see what he meant last night at the dance. . . and unfortunately, so did Lolly Gar-maine.

N. Fieldhouse, dean of the faculty of arts and science.

"I hope you will all take rich advantage of your opportunities at McGill this session," said the principal. "The community needs physicians and engineers, scientists and school-teachers; it needs recruits for many professions. But, most of all, it needs wise men and women who add to high professional qualifications that richer quality of wisdom which enables them to think for themselves, to avoid the extremes of hysteria and panic, to be leaders in the community. . . . Never before in the history of our Western civilization has there been a deeper and more widespread realization of the importance of higher education."

Professor Fieldhouse had some fatherly advice about overdoing extra-curricular activities.

"Remember," he said, "that most of the things that make up extra-curricular activities can be had outside the university and long after you have left the university."

"A university training can only be had here and now and it seems unwise to put your chief emphasis on what can be got elsewhere and not on what can only be had at this particular point in your lives," he added. "We needn't be solemn about it but a university training, even today, is still the privilege of a fortunate minority and it seems a pity not to use it for what it was chiefly meant to give."

Even Bob Gill, president of the Student's Society, struck the solemn note.

"Never neglect your studies," he said. "Work hard. Read all you can. Make the most of everything."

The freshmen read these and similar sentiments in the first issue of the McGill Daily and heard them repeated as they crowded Sir Arthur Currie Gymnasium for the formal welcome by Principal James.

It is not unlikely, however, that the note which sounded most pleasantly in their ears was struck by Joan Radley, described by a McGill Daily scribe as "the honey-haired president of the Women's Union."

A good deal of the first issue of the McGill Daily was devoted to the two weeks of welcoming and "get acquainted" activities, planned by the upperclassmen to make the freshmen feel at home.

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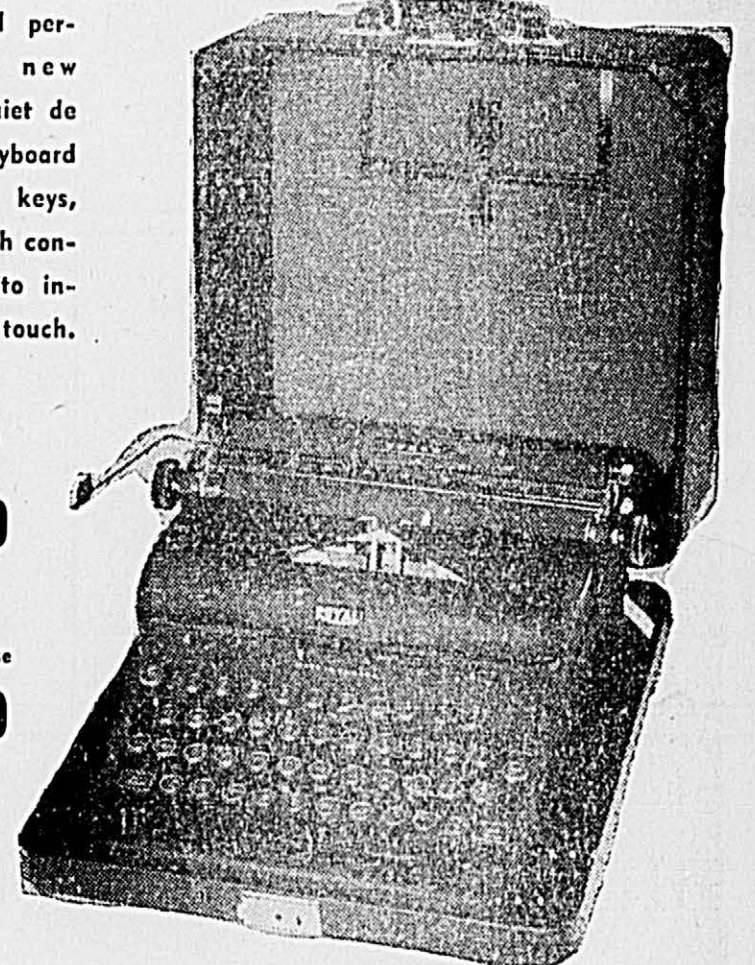
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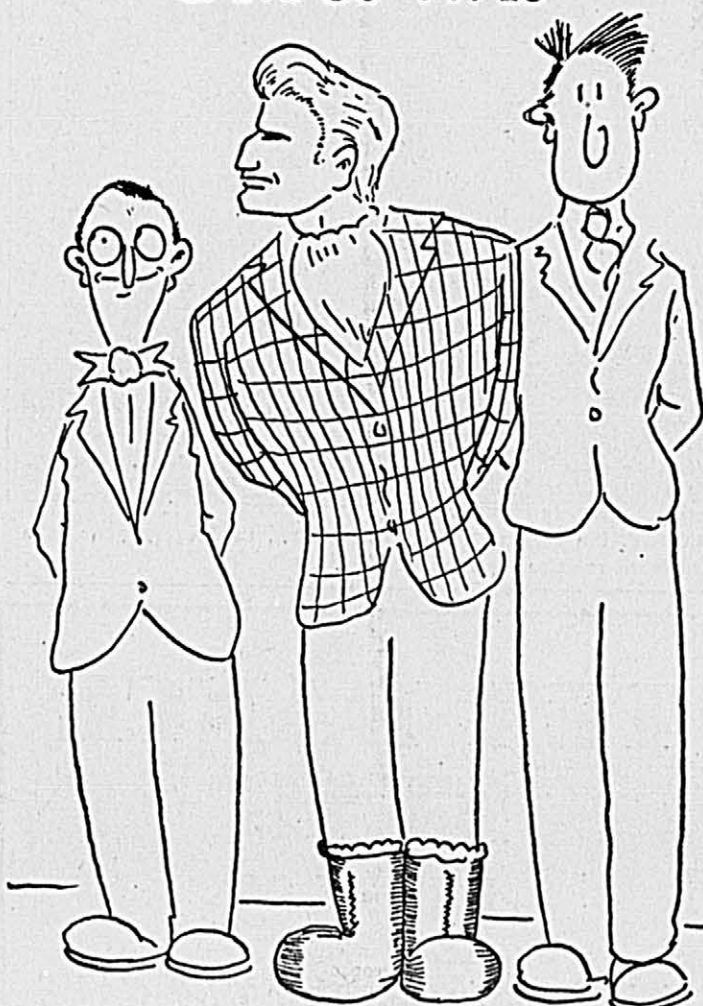
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